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Registration

Working of the system of register of holdings in the Registration Department.

127 Q.—Mr. G. SIMHACHALAM: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) what is the expenditure incurred for introducing the system of register of holdings in the Registration Department; and

(b) whether the system is a successful one, and what is the opinion given by the various District Registrars on the working of the system in the Presidency?

A.—The information has been called for.

Excise

Fall in Excise Revenue.

128 Q.—The KUMARA RAJA OF VENKATAGIRI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government anticipates a fall in Excise Revenue during the current year in the Nellore district; and

(b) if so, for what reasons?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have called for the information.

Industries

Starting of School of Industries at Rajahmundry.

129 Q.—Mr. A. HARISCHANDRUDU: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) with reference to the report of the Director of Industries, when the school of industries will be started at Rajahmundry; and

(b) what are the industries to be taught in that school?

A.—(a) & (b) In view of the prevailing financial stringency the consideration of the proposal for establishing an industrial school at Rajahmundry has been postponed for the present.

[*Note.*—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

III.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION REGARDING BURGLARIES IN MADRAS CITY.

* Mr. V. T. ARASU:—"Mr. President, under Standing Order No. 19, I beg for leave to move for the adjournment of the business of this House for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, viz., the abnormal increase within the last few days in the number of burglaries and thefts of telegraphic wires within the city of Madras and the utter incapacity of the Madras City Police force to check the same."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"Hon. Members of this House would have noticed that among the motions for the reduction of the supplementary Demand under Grant XVI—Police Reserve—which is in the list of business

for to-day, there are several to express disapproval or to discuss the failure of the Police to prevent the cases of house-breaking and theft that have of late been occurring in the city or to detect the offenders in such cases. In view of those motions of which due notice has been received in the Council Office and which will afford a full opportunity for the discussion of the subject matter of this adjournment motion, and without expressing any opinion as to its urgency, I have to hold that this motion is not in order."

IV.—ACTS ASSENTED TO BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The hon. the PRESIDENT announced that the undermentioned Acts passed by the Council received the assent of His Excellency the Governor-General on the dates noted against each :—

The Madras Local Boards (Amendment) Act, 1930	17th June 1930.
The Madras District Municipalities (Amendment) Act, 1930	Do.
The Malabar Tenancy Act, 1929 ...	18th November 1930.

V.—ACTS ASSENTED TO BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.

The hon. the PRESIDENT announced that the undermentioned Acts passed by the Council received the assent of His Excellency the Governor on the dates noted against each :—

The Madras Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 1930	29th November 1930.
The Madras Amending Act, 1930 ...	Do.

VI.—ELECTION OF ELEVEN MEMBERS TO THE SENATE OF THE MADRAS UNIVERSITY.

The hon. the PRESIDENT announced that the undermentioned candidates were declared duly elected to the Senate of the Madras University by the non-official Members of the Madras Legislative Council : —

(1) Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan,
(2) Mr. C. Basu Dev,
(3) Mr. W. M. Browning,
(4) Mr. R. Madanagopal Nayudu,
(5) Mr. Mahboob Ali Baig,
(6) Mr. V. P. Narayanan Nambiyar,
(7) Mr. T. Sundara Rao Nayudu,
(8) Mr. Daniel Thomas,
(9) Mr. V. G. Vasudeva Pillai,
(10) Mr. K. R. Venkatarama Ayyar, and
(11) Rao Sahib B. Venkataramayya.